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## Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

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The amendment document filed on <u>21 October 2009</u> is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following them; by required.

requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required.
THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:  1. Amendments to the specification:  A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.  B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.  C. Other
□ 3. Amendments to the drawings:     □ A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "Annotated Sheet' as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d).     □ B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings showing amended figures, without markings, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required.     □ C. Other
<ul> <li>✓ 4. Amendments to the claims:</li></ul>
5. Other (e.g., the amendment is unsigned or not signed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.4):
For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714.
TIME PERIODS FOR FILING A REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:
<ol> <li>Applicant is given no new time period if the non-compliant amendment is an after-final amendment or an amendmen filed after allowance. If applicant wishes to resubmit the non-compliant after-final amendment with corrections, the entire corrected amendment must be resubmitted.</li> </ol>
2. Applicant is given one month, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the correction, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment (including a submission for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.113, a supplemental amendment filed within a suspension period under 37 CFR 1.103(a) or (c), and an amendment filed in response to a Quayle action. If any of above boxes 1. to 4. are checked, the correction required is only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.
Extensions of time are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a) only if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a Quayle action.
Failure to timely respond to this notice will result in:  Abandonment of the application if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a <i>Quayle</i> action; or  Non-entry of the amendment if the non-compliant amendment is a preliminary amendment or supplemental amendment.
/Matthew.l Daniels/

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<sup>--</sup> The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Continuation Sheet (PTOL-324) Application No. 10/777,299

Continuation of 4(e) Other: The amendments to the claims do not comply with 37 CFR 1.121 because the claims do not show deleted matter by strike-through or double brackets. For example, compare step (d) of Claim 31 in the 11 May 2009 and 210 ctober 2009 claims. The 11 May 2009 claims "provide a monolayer preform" withie the 21 October 2009 claims "provide a preform" without any indication that a change has been made. The claims have not been checked in detail, and it is requested that Applicants identify all other instances where changes have been made.